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DALLAS TOWNSEND: The war for the Falklands may not be over yet.

Bill Lynch reports from the Pentagon.

BILL LYNCH: Six months after British forces recaptured the Falkland Islands, US intelligence reports say Argentina seems to be preparing a limited campaign of military harassment.

Argentina has been buying new fighter plane from France, Israel and Peru to replace its war losses and some have been deployed at Rio Gellegos, within striking range of the Falklands.

Intelligence analysts do not expect full-scale attacks on the British garrison. Instead, they say Argentina is making preparations for hit and run sabotage raids on British military targets, perhaps by small teams landing by submarine.

The reports also say the Argentine Air Force will be trying to shoot down any British helicopter or fighter that strays outside Britain's 200 exclusion zone around the Falklands.

The British, who paid a heavy price to reclaim the islands in June, may find defending them is also costly.

Bill Lynch, CBS News, the Pentagon.

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